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**Weekly Newsletter**

**Friday 15th May 2015**



**Following in Jesus’ footsteps…**

**We pray together**

**We play together**

**We learn together**







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| http://www.educationcommission.org.uk/SiteImages/107.jpgCome and See |
| **As we return to school after Easter the Church is still celebrating this great event. The focus of this term’s work in Religious Education is the role the Holy Spirit plays in our lives. We will be studying the three themes of Pentecost (Serving), Reconciliation (Inter-relating) and Universal Church (World).** |

**Our school Prayer**

Jesus, Mary and Joseph bless my family at home,

Jesus, Mary and Joseph bless my family at school,

Jesus, Mary and Joseph bless all the families of the world

**Amen**

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| Year Group | Achievement Certificates | Dojos  Certificate |
| Year 1 | Due to the trip all winners will be announced next week |  |
| Year 2 | Matilda  Erin  Tailor  Sophie | Alexander |
| Year 3 | Alex  George  Eva | Olivia |
| Year 4 | Christopher  Callum  Liam |  |
| Year 5 | Connor  Flynn  Daisy | Nathan |
| Year 6 | Whole class for their continued hard work in preparation for SATs |  |

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| **What’s happened this week** |
| **SATs Week**  Children in the Y6 class sat their examinations this week. We would like to thank everyone for ensuring that their children came into school on time. Many thanks to all the staff who prepared them so well and for all who provided a lovely breakfast. We hope all the children achieve the success they so deserve.  **Y2 Trip**  Many thanks to everyone who accompanied the children on their trip to Norton Priory on Tuesday. We hope that you had a lovely day. Photographs will be on the school website shortly.  **Communion & Confirmation**  The children had a fabulous day on Saturday when they made their First Holy Communion and Confirmation in Holy Family Church. The behaviour of the children was excellent and we have received lots of praise for the whole day. Many thanks to Mrs Guest, Mrs Evans, Mrs Donohue, Mrs Raymond and Mrs Brady who prepared the children so well and not forgetting Fr Michael who celebrated the Mass with us. We would also like to thank all the members of staff who gave their time to ensure the day ran smoothly.  **Photographs**  We were delighted to receive the photograph proofs on Wednesday. Please note that if you would like to place an order, the photographer will be coming into school at 8.30am next Friday. Please ensure that all orders are received in school by Thursday. Many thanks  **Camping**  On Thursday the flags were raised to show that the camp had started for the children in the Y4 class. The tents looked fabulous on the school field and the children were so excited. They enjoyed archery, bush tucker trials and singing around the campfire. Many thanks to all members of staff who gave up their time to ensure the children were well looked after and had a fabulous time.  **Reception & Y1 Trip**  The children in the Reception class and Y1 went to the Playhouse Theatre today to see a production of The Cat in the Hat. They also visited the World Museum and the Walker Art Gallery. I’m sure the children thoroughly enjoyed the day. Many thanks to everyone who accompanied the children and to Mrs Evans and Mrs Mitchell who arranged the trip. On behalf of Mrs Evans, we would like to thank you all for your understanding at this difficult time. |
| **What’s coming up soon** |
| **Bikeability Y5**  We have been fortunate to receive additional cycle training for the children in Y5 which will take place on Tuesday 19th May. A separate letter has already been sent home giving full details.  **Swimming Gala**  We are delighted to inform you that the finals of the swimming gala are taking place on Friday 22nd May. A separate letter giving full details has already been sent home by Mrs Featherstone.  **New Parent Meetings – September Intake**  We will be inviting all parents of children due to start school in September to a meeting on Thursday 11th June at 9.15am. This meeting will give parents the opportunity to find out about our school.  **Y3 Rejoice**  The children in the Y3 class will be holding their class Rejoice on Tuesday 16th June at 2.30pm. All are welcome.  **Y1 Fathers Day Celebration**  The children in the Y1 class will be celebrating Fathers Day on Friday 19th June. All fathers, grandfathers, uncles and other significant males are welcome to come along from 1.45pm. A separate letter will be sent home shortly.  **Sports Day**  We are hoping to hold our Sports Day on Friday 26th June. Please note that this event will be dependant on the weather and will be called off on the morning if the weather is not suitable. Further information will be sent home nearer to the time. |
| **Free School Meals**  We are aware that some parents may be entitled to free school meals and as such would urge you all to please visit the local council ‘Link’ offices to find out more information. The school receives a lot of extra funding for children in receipt of these benefits. Please be assured that all information is held in the strictest of confidence. This applies to children in the Reception class, Year 1 and Year 2 also.  Many thanks |

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| **Spotlight on Y3**  This week we have been learning about the Vikings. The name Widnes means wide nose. The Vikings were pirates and they were very violent and killed monks. They liked to steal treasures and thought it was easy to kill monks.  In literacy we have just finished Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. We had to design our own chocolate bars and mine was called a caramel crunch. We have also been doing poetry, School Kids Rap by Ian Souter and the Magic Box by Kit Wright. Poems are great and use alliteration.  In RE & Science we have been learning about wind and fire. When the Holy Spirit came down it was like tongues of fire and powerful winds. In Science we have been looking at the pros and cons of wind farms. One pro is that they give electricity. At the moment we use coal but this may run out. One con is that it could be a disturbance as they make a buzzing sound and don’t look very nice.  In maths we have been doing fractions such as a half, a quarter an eighth and a fifth.  The best thing this week was poetry as we had to act out the poem. It was good fun.  Many thanks to Grace & Sophie. |

Wizz Kids Holiday Club

We have been asked to let you know that Wizz Kids will be open on Tuesday 26th May until Friday 29th May and again the following week from Monday 1st June until Friday 5th June.

If you wish to book a place for your child please speak to Lyn on 07947403363.

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| **PTFA** |
| Mrs Harris has very kindly arranged to grow plants in hanging baskets to sell at school to raise money for us. Please do come along on Thursday 21st May after school to buy a lovely basket for your gardens.  We would like to thank Mrs Harris for this lovely idea and her very generous support.  We will be starting our weekly collections next week in preparation for Family Fun Night which will be held on Friday 10th July. Next Friday the collection is for soft toys/teddies. Please note that children are to come into school in school uniform but the class that donates the most will receive an extra play time. A letter giving full details has been sent home under separate cover earlier today.  As ever thank you for your continued support! |

**After School Clubs**

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|  | **Mon** | **Tues** | **Weds** | **Thurs** | **Fri** |
| **Y1** |  | **Ipad club** until 4pm | **Multi-Sports** until 4.15pm |  |  |
| **Y2** |  | **Ipad club** until 4pm |  |  |  |
| **Y3** |  | **Gardening Club** until 4pm | **Choir** until 4pm | **Ipad club** until 4pm |  |
| **Y4** |  | **Gardening Club** until 4pm | **Choir** until 4pm | **Ipad club** until 4pm  **Multi-Sports** until 4.15pm |  |
| **Y5** | Rugby until 4.15pm | **Gardening Club** until 4pm  **Netball Club** until 4pm | **Choir** until 4pm | **Ipad club until** 4pm |  |
| **Y6** | **Rugby** Until  4.15pm | **Gardening Club** until 4pm  **Netball Club** until 4pm | **Choir** until 4pm | **Ipad club** until 4pm |  |

**A £1.00 donation per session would be greatly appreciated.**

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| **Diary Dates** | |
| **May** | |
| Friday 22nd | Break up @ normal time |
| June | |
| Monday 8th | Return to school @ 8.55am |
| Thursday 11th | New Reception – Sept 2015 Meeting @ 9.30am |
| Tuesday 16th | Y3 Rejoice at 2.30pm |
| Friday 19th | Y1 Fathers Day Celebration @ 1.45pm |
| Friday 26th | Sports Day – morning only |

**And finally…**

**A positive thought for the week to promote discussion in the classroom and at home…**

I am being **polite** when I wait for my turn and say please

and thank you.



Many thanks

Mrs Hannah

